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DURING THE PAST FEW WEEKS THERE HAVE BEEN
REFERENCES TO POSSIBLE U.S. MILITARY SEIZURE OF
MID-EAST OIL FIELDS. AUSTRALIAN OF DECEMBER 17 IN
PIECE BY NEWS LIMITED'S NEAL TRAVIS FROM WASHINGTON
SAYS PENTAGON HAS FORCES FOR TAKEOVER OF FIELDS IN
LIBYA, SAUDI ARABIA OR KUWAIT. SAYS U.S. MILITARY
MACHINE STILL CRANKED UP FROM VN AND THE NECESSARY
EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE TO DELIVER TROOPS. AT END OF
PIECE TRAVIS QUOTES STATE DEPT. OFFICIAL AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE - THEY MUST BE MADE TO REALISE WE ARE NOT KIDDING, UNQUOTE
SAYS A STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL. QUOTE - I'M STARTING
TO REALISE IT MYSELF UNQUOTE.

CANBERRA TIMES OF SAME DATE CARRIES SIMILAR ITEM
QUOTING LONDON SUNDAY TELEGRAPH. MELBOURNE
COLUMINST WILKIE ALSO COMMENTS ON NEWS REPORTS. PETTUS

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